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## FINE FISHERS HEAVILY FINED

Four Italian fishermen, named Joseph Mo. John Gafforo, Michael Marino and Nicola Parilli, were arrested at 3 o'clock yesterday morning by Deputy Warden Thomas L. Burney, at the Point of View, as they were seining for fish in the channel between the Point of View and the gas wharf.

Yesterday morning Judge Lummus fined each of them \$50, which was paid. At 3 o'clock yesterday morning, Burney, with deputies Fred C. Goodwin, E. Grant and G. W. Piper, depended on the fishermen. They found men in two boats, one on each side of the channel. Between them they had a net. As the fish came down the channel they swam into the net and were led into the boat.

### N. F. Shore Fishery Improves.

The position of the Newfoundland fishery has also improved somewhat, but scarcity of bait is the prevailing cry from all sections. There appear to be plenty of fish on the ground everywhere, but the squids are never scarcer. Whenever a small quantity can be procured the fishermen are rewarded with good catches of codfish. The fish everywhere are reported to be extra large size, more than ordinary run of fish. If squids strike in during the next two weeks and weather continues fine, there will be a good deal of fish caught along the coast during that period.

## GOOD CATCH UP AROUND GASPE

The Halifax Maritime Merchant

We have had several inquiries regarding the success of the fisheries on the Gaspé coast this season. We find on inquiring of Mr. H. Whitman, managing director of the fishing establishments along the Bay Chaleur, that the catch of codfish in that district this year has been the best for years, and previous to the war the fishermen were receiving very high prices. The war, however, broke the market for a short time buying operations ceased. These have now been revived, but prices instead of being as high as \$5, which will still assure fishermen a fair return for his efforts. A good many American fishermen now have their buyers on the Gaspé coast picking up supplies for the "boneless" trade.

### Halibut Sale.

The halibut fares of sch. Arethusa, sch. Gov. Foss sold to the American Halibut company for eight cents per pound for white and five and one for gray.

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## MONSTER FRESH FARES IN HERE

### Schs. Gov. Foss and Arethusa Both Home From Very Short Trips.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson and sch. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, arrived here yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock with fine fares of shack and a few thousand pounds of halibut. Capt. Thompson is from Georges and Capt. Morrissey from Quero.

Sch. Margaret, Capt. Ernest Engstrom, brought 30,000 pounds of fresh fish and 10,000 pounds of salt cod from Portland where she landed 10,000 pounds of fresh halibut.

The British sch. Electra is here with 301,130 pounds of salt cod from Nova Scotia, consigned to Cunningham and Thompson.

Sch. Jorgina brought down 12,000 pounds of fresh fish from Boston yesterday afternoon to split.

About 750 barrels of fresh bluebacks were landed here yesterday by the steamers and small schooners.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

British sch. Electra, Pubnico, N. S., 310,130 lbs. salt cod 95 barrels pickled herring, 3 barrels cod oil.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Str. Nashawena, seining.

Str. Alice, seining.

Str. Nora B. Robinson, seining.

Sch. Yankee, seining.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Georges, 4000 lbs.

fresh halibut, 170,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Arethusa, Quero Bank, 100,000

lbs. fresh fish, 20,000 lbs. salt cod,

2000 lbs. fresh halibut.

Sch. Margaret, via Portland, 30,000

lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Jorgina, via Boston, 12,000

lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, seining.

Str. Yankee, seining, 25 bbls. fresh

bluebacks.

Str. Alice, seining, 20 bbls. fresh

bluebacks.

Str. Advance, seining, 115 bbls.

fresh bluebacks.

Str. Bonita, seining, 70 bbls. fresh

bluebacks.

Str. Jeffery, seining, 117 bbls. fresh

bluebacks.

Str. Bessie A., seining, 105 bbls.

fresh bluebacks.

Sch. Mary P. Ruth, seining, 130 bbls.

fresh bluebacks.

Str. Naomi Bruce, seining, 100 bbls.

fresh bluebacks, went to Boston.

Str. Jopplate, seining, 125 bbls.

fresh bluebacks.

Sch. Lafayette, seining, 40 bbls.

fresh bluebacks.

### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.00

Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$3.

Salt trawl bank codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.

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Salt drift codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.  
Cush, large, \$3; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.  
Flitcher halibut, 8 1-2c, 6c and 3c per lb.  
Hake, \$1.80.  
Pollock, \$1.75.  
Haddock \$2.50.  
Salt medium mackerel, \$320 per bbl.

#### Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:  
Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.  
Western cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.  
Eastern cod, large, \$2.15; medium, \$1.85; snappers, 75c.  
Drift cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2.  
All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.  
Hake, \$1.80.  
Quak, large, \$1.65; medium, \$1.20; snappers, 50c.  
Pollock, 90c.  
Small pollock, 60c per bbl.  
Fresh halibut 8c per lb. for white, 5 1-2c for gray.

Large shore herring, \$3 per bbl. for salt; \$2 to freezer; \$1.75 to salt.  
Fresh bluebacks, \$3 per bbl. for salt; \$1.75 to freezer; \$1 to salt.  
Fresh mackerel, 10 1-4c per lb. for small.

## LAND BLUEBACK FARES AT BOSTON

Three haddockers, one swordfisherman and three trips of bluebacks are at the Boston fish pier today. The haddockers have small fares and the Priscilla, a belated swordfisherman, has 85 swordfish which sold for 13 cents per pound. Sch. Charles A. Dyer has 150 barrels of fresh bluebacks, the largest fare.

Prices quoted were 1.50 to \$2.50 for haddock; \$5.25 to \$6.25 for large cod; \$2 to \$3.25 for markets; \$2 to \$3 for hake; \$2.50 to \$3.25 for pollock and 13 cents per pound for swordfish.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Eleanor DeCosta, 13,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 4000 hake, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Philip P. Manter, 8000 haddock, 5400 cod, 1500 pollock.

Priscilla, 85 swordfish.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, 20,000 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Str. Sawyer, 35 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Sch. Charles A. Dyer, 150 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Naomi Bruce, 100 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2.60 per cwt.; large cod, \$5.25 to \$6.25; market cod, \$2 to \$3.25; hake, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$2.50 to \$3.25; swordfish, 13 cents per pound.

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## FIVE FRENCH TRAWLERS IDLE

Patriotism is costing two French vessel owners quite a penny. In the upper arm of North Sydney, C. B., there are five French trawlers with 200 men on board. They have been there for about five weeks, and are likely to be about five weeks, or more, longer. The reports that these vessels are lying idle because their owners are unable to raise the price of the bunker coal necessary to carry them to the Banks and back, is untrue. Patriotism of their country is the actual cause.

When the war first broke out, the owners of the five trawlers were in New York on their way here to arrange about their quintette of fishing craft, but when the news came that France was embroiled, both men at once left New York, evidently forgetting their interests here, and on reaching Paris, joined the army and are now at the front—perhaps among the missing.

The agent here corresponded with the owners in Paris, but the only information he could get was that both men had gone to the front, and as they made no arrangements with their bankers, it is out of the question for the representatives either here or in St. Pierre to do anything, with the result that the five trawlers are idle.

Another parallel case exists in Montreal, where a large steamer is lying idle, owing to her owner a young Englishman, having gone to the front, without making financial arrangements or appointing a representative to look after his affairs.

### Bringing It Home.

Owing to lateness of the season, we are of opinion that a greater percentage of the Labrador voyage will be brought home to Newfoundland for cure and shipment this season than ever before. As it will be almost impossible to prepare some of it for the dry or semi-dry market this year, we have no doubt that owners will turn their attention to the possibility of marketing in the United States. A good deal of Straits fish has already been sold in the United States this year, and we have no doubt that there is a further market for some of our Labrador fish there, if the goods are made right. This is a matter worth inquiring into.

### Porto Rico Fish Market.

Codfish—Continued dullness in business and the presence in this market of some parcels of inferior articles have caused prices to ease off to such an extent that a limit of \$35 per cask, wholesale, is an impossibility in San Juan today. Ponce and Mayaguez have been selling above that quotation right along, but as we write this circular we notice there also a decided weakening tendency. A sailing vessel from Lunenburg is due at Ponce at any moment.

Pollock and haddock—The supply is small and the demand good. We quote \$24.50 per cask of 448 lbs. on usual basis "net ex wharf"—S. Ramirez & Co.